

**“<sup>38</sup>If you do whatever I command you and walk in obedience to me and do what is right in my eyes by obeying my decrees and commands, as David my servant did, I will be with you. I will build you a dynasty as enduring as the one I built for David and will give Israel to you.”**

**(1King 11:38 NIV)**

**“And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee.”**

**(1King 11:38 KJV)**

The above is what the LORD said and promised to Jeroboam whom the LORD chose to lead ten tribes of the Israelites when the LORD decided to tear the kingdom from Solomon the son of David because he disobeyed the LORD by marrying foreign women who turned away his heart from the LORD.

The LORD sent through the prophet Ahijah His message to Jeroboam who was the servant of Solomon to inform him about the good plan of God for him to be ruler over Israel **“See, I am going to tear the kingdom out of Solomon’s hand and give you ten tribes. <sup>32</sup>But for the sake of my**

**servant David and the city of Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, he will have one tribe. <sup>33</sup>I will do this because they have forsaken me and worshiped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Molek the god of the Ammonites, and have not walked in obedience to me, nor done what is right in my eyes, nor kept my decrees and laws as David, Solomon’s father, did.” (1King 11:31-33) <sup>37</sup>However, as for you, I will take you, and you will rule over all that your heart desires; you will be king over Israel.” (1King 11:37)**

The LORD also said to Jeroboam that if He will really obey the LORD and follow all the degrees and the commands of God He will do to him the following:

**1- I will be with you:** The LORD will be accompanying him wherever he goes and wherever he lives:

**2- I will build you a dynasty as enduring as the one I built for David and will give Israel to you:** God promised him leadership and enduring ministry even after his dead.

**3- And build thee a sure house (KJV):** A happy family and godly children and descendant who will rule and reign with him and after his dead in doing fruitful and effective ministry unto the LORD.

Great is the above promise of God. It can be even to you who read the message if you keep carefully the commands and the degrees of God,

then you will receive from the LORD the good plans with sure eternal life, wonderful family, faithful children, effective disciples and enduring ministry, godly descendant until the second coming of the LORD.

God is sure in what he promised but you need to be sure of how you obey God and faithfully walk in all His ways.

## **My Prayer**

**Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I kneel down at your feet, thanking you for all your wonderful and great promises to me. Lord I commit myself to obey all your commands and walk faithfully in all your decrees knowing that you are faithful and my labour and obedience unto you is fruitful and I will sure receive from you all what you promised me in 1King 11:38. Accept my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.**

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# **The Lord Is My Shepherd**

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**“<sup>1</sup>Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”**

**(John 14:1-3)**